

REMARKS

This Amendment, submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2005, is believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Claim 20 and 21 are now all of the claims pending in the present application. Claims 1-19 and 22-25 have been canceled. The Examiner has indicated that claims 20 and 21 have been allowed. Applicant submits that the application is now in a condition for allowance.

I. Preliminary Matter

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner approve the drawings filed June 29, 2000.

II. Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-5, 7-11, 13, 14, 17-19 and 25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Potucek et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,437,358). Since claims 1-5, 7-11, 13, 14, 17-19 and 25 have been canceled, the rejection is now moot.

III. Conclusion

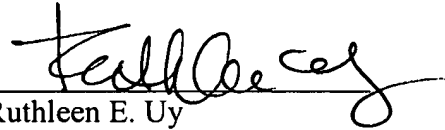
In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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